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Mary L. Cottrell, Secretary
Department of Telecommunications and Energy
One South Station, 2nd Floor
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Re: D.T.E. 04-71, Boston Edison Company d/b/a NSTAR Electric, Responses to the Department's First Set of Information Requests

Dear Secretary Cottrell:

Please find enclosed herewith the original and one copy of a supplemental response of Boston Edison Company d/b/a NSTAR Electric to the First Set of Information Requests of the Department of Telecommunications and Energy as set forth in the attached list.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Mary E. Grover / Jpg", written over a horizontal line.

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Enclosures

cc: Denise L. Desautels, Hearing Officer (4 copies)
Service List



D.T.E. 04-71
Information Response

DTE-E-1 (Supplemental)

February 11, 2005

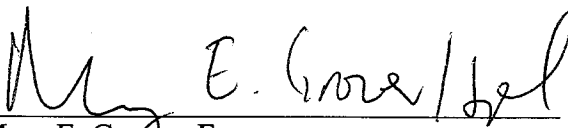
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DEPARTMENT OF TELECOMMUNICATIONS AND ENERGY**

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that I have this day served the foregoing in accordance with the Department rules.



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Information Request DTE-E-1 (Supp)

Please provide transcripts of any meetings of the Framingham, Natick, or Sherborn Planning Boards or of other town permitting or regulatory entities concerning the proposed relocation. If transcripts are unavailable, please provide the minutes of such meetings.

Supplemental Response

The Company submits herewith Attachment DTE-E-1 (E) (Supp) as a supplement to its January 18, 2005 response. This attachment comprises the minutes of the Natick Conservation Committee meeting dated January 20, 2005.

Natick Conservation Commission
January 20, 2005

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The meeting was called to order by Chairman, Matthew Gardner. Members present: George Bain, Doug Shepard, Randy Johnson, Jason Makofsky.

Discussion

Community Preservation Act

Peter Golden spoke in support of bringing the CPA participation to Natick. Funds must be applied to: Open Space, Historic Preservation and Affordable Housing. Each topic was discussed and he briefed the commission on the effort. He will be looking for the Natick ConCom's support in the future.

Matt Gardner felt it should be discussed with the Commission. It's a law that could be voted in or out, or amended. Mr. Golden is looking for a forum March 3rd.

7-9 Strathmore Road

Bruce Ey, Schoefeld Brothers, and Gary Holms, Holms Real-estate reviewed map of area. Would like to add 40 additional parking spaces to parking lot.

Commissioners felt area has been reviewed for other buildings. Question is whether stream in back is perennial or intermittent. No drainage in lot presently. If they can move forward, plan to install an infiltration system. Matt Gardner asked if applicant would be willing to expand drainage system entire length of lot if approved. Doug suggested something similar to system installed in Natick Mills.

If perennial, maybe would allow 10 spaces. Applicant couldn't afford to repave or install drainage system. Would also have to apply for a special permit because of the location in the aquifer district. Will try to determine the status of the stream now (perennial vs. intermittent). There is a time factor for the owner.

Applicant will talk to Bob Bois on which way to file, RDA or NOI.

Resigned Certificate of Compliance – 233-561

Previously signed, but when applicant went to record, found book and page number incorrect. Commissioners re-signed.

Water Street

Lori Stephenson complained about neighbor's sump pump draining water into catch basin. Also, showed on map where pea stone will be placed. Matt Gardner recommended filing an NOI.

Notice of Intent – 7 Lena Road – 233-582

Matt Gardner read public hearing notice. Brendan Quigley reviewed proposal to put an addition on house. Small change in original plan, rear porch decreased 75 feet. Entire lot is in river front area. Total disturbance 882, minus for deck. Total of 702 new construction. 3,000 feet grading. Bottom line, 500 feet impervious to site.

Randy, feels sufficient, natural terrain in rear. Jason Makofsky questioned application. Felt it should be called an alteration. Grading wasn't mentioned. For sake of consistency, any grading should be described. Mr. Quigley said application would be modified. Mr. Bain asked applicant to check with Commissioner Rehl regarding planting.

Jason Makofsky moved to close and issue Order of Conditions, Doug Shepard seconded, all in favor 5-0.

Notice of Intent – 22 Whispering Lane – 233-583

Matt Gardner read public hearing notice. Greg LeBlanc reviewed proposal to construct a single family house. Commissioners were all in agreement with plan. Jason Makofsky moved to close, Doug Shepard seconded, all in favor 5-0. Jason Makofsky moved to issued Order of Conditions, George Bain seconded, all in favor 5-0.

Request for Determination – 1 Everett Street

Matt Gardner read public hearing notice. Proposal to install a deck. Jason Makofsky moved to close, George Bain seconded, all in favor 5-0. Doug Shepard moved to issue a Negative 3 Determination, George Bain seconded, all in favor 5-0.

Notice of Intent continuation – NSTAR – 233-581

Bill Hayes, Senior Arborist, Joseph Mayall, Project Manager, and Colin Duncan Senior Soil and Wetland Scientist. Two items to discuss this evening.

1. Soil boring in buffer zone.
2. Would like to start immediately clearing – Sherborn to Flutie Pass.

Do not have engineering plans tonight. Mr. Duncan reviewed map showing where borings will be installed. Commissioner Doug Shepard felt it would be a good time when ground and water is frozen.

John Ciciarello, Board of Selectmen, asked is any work proposed would be on Town of Natick property or on private property. If town property, would need approval from Board of Selectmen. Mr. Ciciarello asked if NSTAR had permission from CSX to cross the railroad bed, and does NSTAR have approval from that agency. Mr. Duncan said access would be from Burning Tree Road, private property.

Matthew Gardner feels Commission is comfortable with boring holes and locations. When installed, Bob Bois will be notified to inspect damage, if any. Mr. Gardner also asked how whether and how abutters are being notified regarding maintenance. Mr. Mayall said letters were sent the first time to abutters notifying them that mowers would access the path, maybe 2-3 times over the past year and plans to start again soon. Bill Hayes said mowing takes place initially, then crew removes larger trees if necessary. Joanne O'Leary and Bill Hayes will visit with each abutter individually and review each tree pertaining to them. Low impact vehicles will be used to mow, as well as hand cutting ground crews. Once project is complete, damaged areas will be restored.

Mr. Mayall stated once DT approves, work will begin in March or April, starting in Sherborn. Mr. Gardner asked that all property owners be advised of what to expect.

Bill Hayes explained in emergent situations, trees are cut in specific locations, but crews return later to clean up and remove debris. This project will go through many planned stages. Again, tracked vehicles will be used to minimize ruts and chewing up lawns.

Mr. Bain felt the stream would not do well over a long period. Cheryl Chagnon, 4 Tournament Road, said brook is eroding in her yard. A lot of vegetation has been cut, when their roots were holding the banks. Trees cut are still there and left in brook.

Joe Mayall said trees and roots are there and doesn't believe NSTAR is creating erosion. Engineers are presently looking at entire area on how to handle the brook. They are not ready yet to work in that area. Matt Gardner explained to abutters some residual impacts until project is completed, and abutters are to deal with liaison, Joanne O'Leary.

Mr. Ciciarello asked if NSTAR removed trees, do they have to replace them. Doug Shepard explained that maintenance is their right. If they disturb yards with ruts, they have to restore immediately, not six months later. More damage is possible if work starts in the spring when the ground is soft.

Mr. Ciciarello asked if NSTAR is required to have a certificate of insurance, listing Natick Conservation as insured, or can it be required. It was suggested that someone ask the town counsel. Mr. Ciciarello stated that NSTAR doesn't have the best history with town. The responsible person at NSTAR is always different, and eventually citizens go to Selectmen for assistance. Even though NSTAR legally has the right of way, he expects they will restore damage, if any.

John Connelly, Board of Selectmen, felt NSTAR should take photos of abutters' property. He also asked for reason to drop lines. Joe Mayall explained NSTAR will take photos before crews start project and he then reviewed plans for lines and poles. There are no plans presently for blank poles.

Doug Shepard motioned to continue until engineer's study is completed, George Bain seconded, all in favor 5-0.

Request for Determination – 24 Oxford Street

Matthew Gardner read public hearing notice. Applicant wasn't in attendance. Doug Shepard motioned to continue, George Bain seconded, all in favor 5-0. Continued to February 3rd.

Request for Determination – 6 Huron Drive

Matthew Gardner read public hearing notice. Applicant wasn't in attendance. Doug Shepard motioned to continue, George Bain seconded, all in favor 5-0. Continued to February 3rd.

Meeting adjourned 9:45.